

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities

Date of Meeting: December 15, 2006

Time of Meeting: 8:15 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Public Utilities Boardroom
3901 Orange Street (at Ninth & Orange Streets)
Riverside, California

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN

Roll Call

Present: Jim Anderson (Chair)	Joe Tavaglione
Mary Curtin	Dave Barnhart
Bob Stockton	Ken Sutter
Robert Elliott	Bernie Titus
Peter Hubbard	

Absent: None.

Assistant City Manager Michael Beck not in attendance.

Western Municipal Water District Board Members Liz Cunnison and Tom Evans and staff member Melodie Johnson were in attendance.

PRESENTATIONS

1. SOLAR CUP PRESENTATION
This item was deferred to another future Board meeting.
2. SAVE WATER - SAVE A BUCK
COMMERCIAL REBATE PROGRAM (METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT)
An oral presentation by Jose Vergara, Principal Engineer with Metropolitan Water District with the assistance of Martin Tran, Program Manager for Honeywell International regarding the Metropolitan Water District's commercial rebate program that is available to Riverside Public Utilities' customers was presented with hands-on displays – washing machine, artificial turf, etc.

Also distributed was a one-page report of Riverside Public Utilities "Save-A-Buck" Rebates through 12-11-06.

General Manager Wright presented appreciation gifts to Liz Cunnison and Melodie Johnson of Western Municipal Water District.

MINUTES

3. The minutes from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held on December 1, 2006 was approved as submitted with the following revision per Board Member Barnhart under the "Items for Future Board of Public Utilities Consideration...":

"In view of the City Attorney's ruling that the Board has no formal role in review or certifying environmental documents for RPU's projects, the Board needs to review how we can formally take a position on the full scope of our capital projects including reviewing the possibility of changing the City's policies in this regard."

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Curtin, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

4. Newly elected Western Municipal Water District Board Member Tom Evans introduced himself and stated he was looking forward to working with RPU on behalf of Western Municipal Water District.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT - The Property Committee meeting scheduled on December 1, 2006 was cancelled.
6. ELECTRIC COMMITTEE REPORT – The Electric Committee meeting scheduled on December 13, 2006 was cancelled.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 9, **CONSTRUCTION OF JURUPA AVENUE UNDERPASS 12-INCH WATER MAIN RELOCATION PROJECT (PHASE I) – AWARD OF BID NO. 6441**, and Item 10, **AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO INTERIM AGREEMENT FOR THE REMOVAL OF PERCHLORATE AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR REMOVAL AND TREATMENT OF TRICHLOROETHYLENE WITH LOCKHEED MARTIN CORPORATION**, which were moved to the Discussion Calendar.

Motion – Curtin. Second – Tavaglione.

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Curtin, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

ELECTRIC ITEMS

7. 12 kV LINE EXTENSION – TRACT 32502
WORK ORDER 060113-110

The Board of Public Utilities approved the capital expenditure of \$90,000 to install primary line extensions to serve 62 condominium units (Tract 32502) located at 3901 Dawes Street, northwesterly of Magnolia Avenue.

8. CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 FOR PURCHASE ORDER 066884 - MARINA LANDSCAPE FOR LANDSCAPING AND CLEARING OF UNDERGROUND STRUCTURES PRIOR TO GO 165 INSPECTIONS

The Board of Public Utilities approved Change Order No. 3 for Purchase Order No. 066884, in the amount of \$10,882 for the clearing of the remaining structures for a total purchase order amount of \$60,756.

WATER ITEMS

9. MOVED TO DISCUSSION CALENDAR

10. AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO INTERIM AGREEMENT FOR THE REMOVAL OF PERCHLORATE AND AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AGREEMENT FOR REMOVAL AND TREATMENT OF TRICHLOROETHYLENE WITH LOCKHEED MARTIN CORPORATION

Staff requested that this item be deferred to another future Board meeting.

11. PURCHASE OF A CRANE TRUCK FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER OPERATIONS – SAFE W.A.T.E.R. PLAN

The Board of Public Utilities approved the capital expenditure of \$80,000 for a purchase order to procure a 2007 Ford F550 Truck Chassis with a Maintainer 1.5 Ton Crane.

OTHER ITEMS

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

9. CONSTRUCTION OF JURUPA AVENUE UNDERPASS 12-INCH WATER MAIN RELOCATION PROJECT (PHASE I) – AWARD OF BID NO. 6441

Board Member Bob Stockton requested this item be placed on the discussion calendar for clarification of other agencies' financial responsibility for the project.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

- a. Approved the capital expenditure of \$850,000 for Work Order 0701612, which includes all design, construction, contract administration, inspection and change order contingencies for the Jurupa Ave 12-inch Water Main Relocation Project (Phase I), Bid No. 6441; and
- b. Awarded a contract for the construction of the Jurupa Ave 12-inch Water Main Relocation Project (Phase I), Bid No. 6441 to the lowest responsive bidder, Hemet Manufacturing Company, Inc., doing business as Genesis Construction, of Hemet, in the amount of \$663,777.

Motion – Stockton. Second – Tavaglione.

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Curtin, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

12. COLLECTION AGENCY WITH PROGRESSIVE ASSET MANAGEMENT, INC.,
FOR COLLECTION OF UNPAID CUSTOMER ACCOUNTS

Staff requested that this item be placed on the next regularly scheduled Board meeting because Assistant Director/Finance Jerry Rogers was absent due to illness at this meeting.

13. RECONSIDERATION OF INTERMOUNTAIN POWER PROJECT RENEWAL

There was one public comment from a customer that stated that she wanted RPU to pursue this renewal and to not let the contract rescind.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

- a. Moved to reconsider its November 3, 2006 recommendation that the City Council approve the Renewal Power Sale Contract ("Renewal PSC") between the Intermountain Power Agency and the City of Riverside; and

Motion – Curtin. Second – Stockton.

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Curtin, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

Noes: None

Abstain: Barnhart.

Absent: None.

- b. Rescinded its prior recommendation with respect to the Renewal PSC;
- c. Approved \$100,000 in funding for initial greenhouse gas ("GHG") reduction research; and
- d. Directed staff to provide periodic updates on GHG reduction efforts at IPP.

Motion – Titus. Second – Curtin.

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Curtin, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

A five-minute recess was requested – Board Member Mary Curtin left the meeting at this time.

14. RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES TRADES TECHNICAL TRAINING PROGRAM (T3)

General Manager Dave Wright gave a presentation of the two-year internship program for high school students in the Alvord and Riverside Unified School Districts that Riverside Public Utilities has created. Mr. Wright stated that staff would bring an update report back to the Board in a year on the program once it has been implemented.

Board Members were all in favor of this training program and suggested once the program was implemented to expand it to the city college level, continuation schools, and private home schools.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities approved and recommended that the City Council:

- a. Approve the creation and implementation of the T3 PROGRAM; and
- b. Approve eight part-time non-benefited positions for the Water Division and eight part-time non-benefited positions for the Electric Division.

Motion – Elliott. Second – Stockton.

Ayes: Anderson, Tavaglione, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, and Hubbard.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: Curtin (left meeting early)

15. DISCUSS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR FUTURE COMMITTEES

Board Chair Jim Anderson requested that the board members let him know what Board committee their talents would be best served to help him decide the March 2007 committee assignments. Mr. Anderson also requested that the Board members submit their written revisions regarding the Riverside Public Utilities Board Policy No. B-3 "Board Committee Structure" at the next board meeting.

Chair Anderson also expressed his concerns about too many cancellations of Board committee meetings.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities received and filed this discussion.

16. ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Board Chair Jim Anderson requested the following item for a future board meeting: "Discussion of the Cost of Discharging Carbon into the Atmosphere"

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

17. Monthly Benchmark Report Cards - November 2006
 18. Open and Closed Work Orders - November 2006
 19. Water Highlights - November 2006
 20. City Council Agendas - December 5, 2006 and December 12, 2006
 21. Upcoming Meetings
 22. Systematic Reporting on Conferences/Seminars
- Board Chair Jim Anderson reported that he attended the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Meeting in Anaheim on December 6-7, 2006 and submitted a memo with details (attached).

UPCOMING MEETING

Chairman Jim Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Utilities to be held on **Friday, January 5, 2007**, at **8:15** a.m. in the Public Utilities Boardroom located at 3901 Orange Street in Riverside, California.

By: _____
David H. Wright, Secretary
Board of Public Utilities

Approved by: City of Riverside Board of Public Utilities

Dated: January 19, 2007